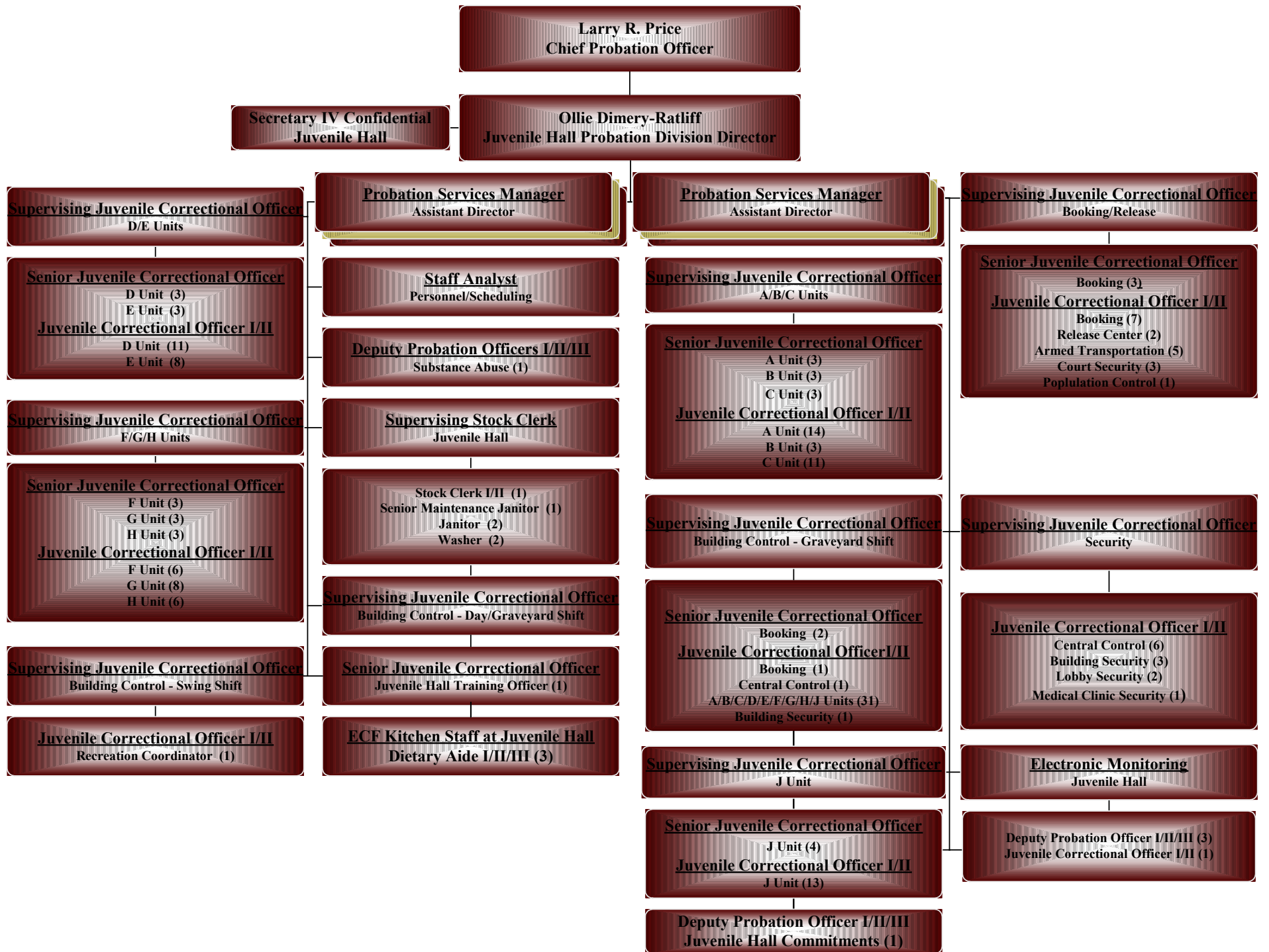


# JUVENILE HALL





# Juvenile Hall



**Emilio Valle**, Probation Services Manager / Assistant Director, in charge of “D” unit, “E” unit and The Pre-Adolescent Program/“H” unit, the Girl’s Treatment Program/“G” unit and the Substance Abuse Unit “F” unit. He also supervises the Stock Clerk, and one Deputy Probation Officer.



**Brian Johnson**, Probation Services Manager / Assistant Director, is in charge of the maximum-security units, “J” unit, facility security, the Transportation Unit and the booking/release functions in Juvenile Hall. He also supervises the Electronic Monitoring / Supervised Home Detention unit which consists of three Deputy Probation Officers and one Juvenile Correctional Officer.

The Juvenile Hall is used primarily as a detention facility to hold minors who have committed a law violation while they are processed through the Juvenile Court. In addition to holding minors pending court action, the Juvenile Hall provides secure confinement for minors pending delivery to the California Youth Authority, other juvenile and adult justice jurisdictions, foster and group home placements, and short-term court ordered commitments of 180 days or less.

The Juvenile Hall's bed capacity is determined by the California Board of Corrections and has a current rated capacity of 235 males and 30 females (265 total). Minors detained or committed to Juvenile Hall are afforded the necessities of life: food, clothing, and adequate living space. They are also afforded medical, dental, and mental health services on-site as needed. Additionally, a full, accredited school program is offered and provided to all minors housed in Juvenile Hall.





<b>Minors Accepted by Offense and Gender</b> <b>7/1/2001 – 6/30/2002</b>			
<b>Minors Admitted</b>			<b>4,153</b>
	Males	Females	
Crimes against persons	649	200	
Crimes against property	1,408	285	
Crimes involving drugs/alcohol	251	71	
Sex Crimes	110	0	
Crimes involving weapons	164	14	
Violations of Probation	344	108	
Other (Disturbing Peace, False ID, etc.)	426	123	
<b>Total by Gender</b>	<b>3,352</b>	<b>801</b>	
<b>Minors Released</b>			<b>3,803</b>
<b>Average Daily Population</b>			<b>286</b>

<b>Minors Accepted by Offense and Gender</b> <b>7/1/2000 – 6/30/2001</b>			
<b>Minors Admitted</b>			<b>4,807</b>
	Males	Females	
Crimes against persons	658	224	
Crimes against property	1,456	259	
Crimes involving drugs/alcohol	316	77	
Sex Crimes	109	4	
Crimes involving weapons	269	39	
Violations of Probation	670	138	
Other (Disturbing Peace, False ID, etc.)	464	124	
<b>Total by Gender</b>	<b>3,942</b>	<b>865</b>	
<b>Minors Released</b>			<b>4,491</b>
<b>Average Daily Population</b>			<b>296</b>

<b>Minors Accepted by Offense and Gender</b> <b>7/1/1999 – 6/30/2000</b>			
<b>Minors Admitted</b>			<b>5,292</b>
	Males	Females	
Crimes against persons	809	244	
Crimes against property	1,305	208	
Crimes involving drugs/alcohol	399	64	
Sex Crimes	94	3	
Crimes involving weapons	223	20	
Violations of Probation	1,026	199	
Other (Disturbing Peace, False ID, etc.)	532	166	
<b>Total by Gender</b>	<b>4,388</b>	<b>904</b>	
<b>Minors Released</b>			<b>5,291</b>
<b>Average Daily Population</b>			<b>275</b>

<b>Minors Accepted by Offense and Gender</b> <b>7/1/1998 – 6/30/1999</b>			
<b>Minors Admitted</b>			<b>5,470</b>
	Males	Females	
Crimes against persons	871	261	
Crimes against property	1,496	240	
Crimes involving drugs/alcohol	423	88	
Crimes involving weapons	169	15	
Violations of Probation	1,042	222	
Other (Disturbing Peace, False ID, etc.)	507	136	
<b>Total by Gender</b>	<b>4,508</b>	<b>962</b>	

<b>Minors Accepted by Offense and Gender</b> <b>7/1/1997 – 6/30/1998</b>			
<b>Minors Admitted</b>			<b>5,867</b>
	Males	Females	
Crimes against persons	988	211	
Crimes against property	1,707	320	
Crimes involving drugs/alcohol	554	66	
Crimes involving weapons	194	14	
Violations of Probation	1,076	164	
Other (Disturbing Peace, False ID, etc.)	448	125	
<b>Total by Gender</b>	<b>4,967</b>	<b>900</b>	

## Pre-Disposition Electronic Monitoring (E.M.) Supervised Home Detention (S.H.D.)

The 265-bed capacity of the Juvenile Hall is not sufficient to securely detain all minors arrested by law enforcement and probation staff. Therefore, detention control guidelines are used by Juvenile Hall staff to determine which minors can be released to their respective parent(s) or guardian(s) pending Juvenile Court proceedings, and which minors will remain in secure confinement due to the risk they pose to the community's safety.

If the decision is made to release the minor from Juvenile Hall on Supervised Home Detention, a contract specifying the conditions of the minor's release must be signed and agreed upon by the minor and his/her parent(s)/guardians. The contract requires the minor to be in the presence of his/her parents/guardian at all times except when the minor is in his/her own home or at school. The minor will remain on Supervised Home Detention for approximately three (3) days, at which time, the minor will make his/her first Court appearance. In some cases, the Court will order the minor to be monitored electronically as a condition of continued release status pending further Court hearings. An electronic monitoring device is physically attached to the minor's ankle and additional equipment is installed in the minor's residence. The equipment monitors the minor's location on a 24-hour a day basis. The minor's approved (and unapproved) movements in and out of his/her residence is recorded and immediately transmitted to a monitoring station. The Probation Officer assigned to supervise the minor is quickly informed if the minor is not in compliance with his/her release conditions. A minor who is violating the conditions of the Electronic Monitoring Program may be returned to Juvenile Hall for secure confinement pending future court hearings.

On any given day, there are approximately 80 to 110 minors in the community, either under Supervised Home Detention release contract or Electronic Monitoring. The number of minors who violate their release conditions are relatively small, constituting approximately fifteen percent of the total.

# Girl's Treatment Program

## "G" Unit

The female commitment program is one of several programs within the Institution. The program is located in "G" unit, and has a rated capacity of 30. At any given time, an average of 8 to 15 girls, ages 13 to 18, are committed by the Juvenile Court into the 63-day commitment program. This program is designed to hold minors accountable for their behavior, as well as meeting their needs in the areas of education, substance abuse, vocational training, counseling, and family reunification.

Females committed to the program receive drug awareness education and weekly group counseling through Fresno County Mental Health Systems. Additionally, minors committed to this program receive sexual abuse education and counseling through the Rape Counseling Center, as well as family planning and parenting education through Planned Parenthood. Vocational education training is available to the committed females as well as a variety of community-based programs and organizations. A Speaker's Bureau has been incorporated into the girl's treatment program to acquaint the minors with a variety of successful career women in the community.

Females committed to this program are also eligible to earn furloughs to aid in the transition back into the family/home environment after completion of commitment. Mental Health and Probation provides for transition services for the minors' return to their homes and local school programs. A continuation of counseling and referral resources originating while in custody, is part of an aftercare implementation plan.

<b>Female Program Commitments – 7/1/2001 – 6/30/2002</b>
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# Pre-Adolescent Program

## "H" Unit

The Pre-Adolescent Boys' Commitment Program is one of several components contained within the Institution. The program is located in "H" Unit, and has a rated capacity of 30 boys, ages 8 to 14. At any given time, an average of 10 to 15 boys are committed by the Court into the 63-day commitment program, which is specially designed to meet the needs of the young male offenders.

Boys committed to the program receive substance abuse education/awareness through school education programs and education through Planned Parenthood. Additionally, on-site Fresno County Mental Health Services staff provides each boy with weekly group therapy, weekly family therapy, and individual therapy as needed. Christian-based programs are available to those individuals wishing to participate.

In the commitment program boys are also eligible to earn furloughs home to aid in their transition back into the family home environment after completion of commitment.

<b>Pre-Adolescent Program Commitments – 7/1/2001 – 6/30/2002</b>
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# Substance Abuse Program

The Substance Abuse Unit is a collaborate effort of the Fresno County Probation Department, Fresno County Human Services System and Mental Health Systems. This program was implemented in November 2000. The Substance Abuse program is a co-ed 24-bed residential dual-diagnosis treatment program, located in Juvenile Hall, "F" Unit. Minors referred to the program are identified as having both substance abuse and mental health related issues. Each minor is committed to the program through a juvenile court order for 120-day minimum to 180-day maximum commitment after an assessment has been completed determining his or her immediate needs and suitability for the program. After completing the four-month program in Juvenile Hall, the minor will attend Aftercare for up to eight months.

<b>Substance Abuse Program Commitments – 7/1/2001 – 6/30/2002</b>
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# Juvenile Hall Custody Time

Long-term Juvenile Hall custody time has been used in the continuum of sanctions in the last year, when other available long-term custodial commitment programs were deemed not suitable. The long-term confinements to the Juvenile Hall ranged anywhere from 120 to 180 days.

On occasion, short-term Juvenile Hall custody time has been utilized by the courts for accountability, when other sanctions were not appropriate. These confinements ranged from 30 to 120 days.

<b>Short Term Confinements</b> (Less than 120 days)	149
<b>Long Term Confinements</b> (More than 120 days)	160
<b>Total Confinements</b>	<b>309</b>



# Administrative Segregation Unit

The Administrative Segregation Unit was established at the Juvenile Hall in April 1997, after a decision was made to transfer unfit minors who had been housed at the County Jail back to Juvenile Hall. Six single occupancy cells in the maximum-security area of Juvenile Hall are now being used for the housing of unfit minors and other juveniles whose behavior poses a significant physical threat to staff and other minors. The ability to isolate physically aggressive juveniles from the general population has reduced incidents of injuries for both staff and minors.

# Transportation Unit

The return of the unfit minors to Juvenile Hall in 1997 created a need to significantly increase the number of staff required to transport unfit minors and other juveniles to their court hearings downtown. Prior to the start of that fiscal year, two armed Juvenile Hall staff were utilized to transport minors to downtown court hearings along with other routine transportation duties. Approximately eight to ten trips to the downtown courts involving an average of six minors were being made each month. Currently, five armed Juvenile Hall staff are being utilized to transport minors to the downtown courts with an average of 32 trips per month involving 59 minors. The transportation staff also make approximately 35 medical trips per month. In addition to these trips, 15-19 minors per month are transported to miscellaneous destinations including California Youth Authority, Elkhorn Correctional Facility, detention facilities in other counties, and group homes.